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SUBJECT: FY-75 EDTRAVEL NOMINATION - OCA PROLINK

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WITH CONCURRENCE OCA DIRECTOR VOGEL EMBASSY NOMINATES
AMADOU KAMIR DOUMBIA FOR OCA PROLINK PROGRAM APRIL 2-
MAY 20, 1975. BIODATA AND JUSTIFICATION FOLLOW:

1. NAME: AMADOU KAMIR DOUMBIA
2. PRESENT POSITION: EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, RADIO MALI
3. FORMER POSITIONS: NEWS EDITOR, REPORTER, RADIO MALI
4. PERSONAL DATA: BORN APRIL 1, 1945 IN BAMAKO; MARRIED,
ONE CHILD
5. EDUCATION: DOCTORAT DES SCIENCES DE L'INFORMATION,
UNIVERSITE DE PARIS
6. TRAVEL: FRANCE, SPAIN, BELGIUM, ENGLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA
7. JUSTIFICATION: DOUMBIA IS YOUNG, INTELLIGENT,
ARTICULATE AND WELL TRAINED JOURNALIST IN RESPONSIBLE
POSITION AT RADIO MALI, THE ONLY BROADCAST ORGANI-
ZATION IN THE COUNTRY. AS EDITOR IN CHIEF HE SELECTS
AND EDITS MATERIAL FOR SEVERAL DAILY NEWS PROGRAMS
AS WELL AS OTHER BROADCASTS. HE IS LIKELY TO MOVE INTO
POSITIONS OF GREATER OVERALL POLICY AND MANAGERIAL
RESPONSIBILITY IN THE FUTURE. VOGEL AND EMBASSY PLACE
HIM FIRST AMONG 8 CANDIDATES INTERVIEWED.
8. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: DOUMBIA SPEAKS VERY GOOD
ENGLISH BUT HAS NOT USED IT RECENTLY. THE 2-WEEK
INTENSIVE LANGUAGE PROGRAM WILL BE OF CONSIDERABLE BENEFIT.
INTERSHIP SHOULD BE IN MEDIUM-SIZE BROADCAST ORGANIZATION,

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WHOSE TECHNOLOGICAL, PHYSICAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES DO NOT

FAR OUTSTRIP THE RELATIVELY MODERN BUT NOT OVERLY SOPHISTICATED FACILITIES OF RADIO MALI. SOME CONTACT WITH PRINT AND TELEVISION JOURNALISM SHOULD BE PROVIDED.

9. GIVEN PRELIMINARY OCA DIRECTOR APPROVAL AND LIMITED TIME PREPARE FOR LATE MARCH DEPARTURE, EMBASSY REQUESTS PROMPT CONFIRMATION OF APPROVAL OF NOMINATION.
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